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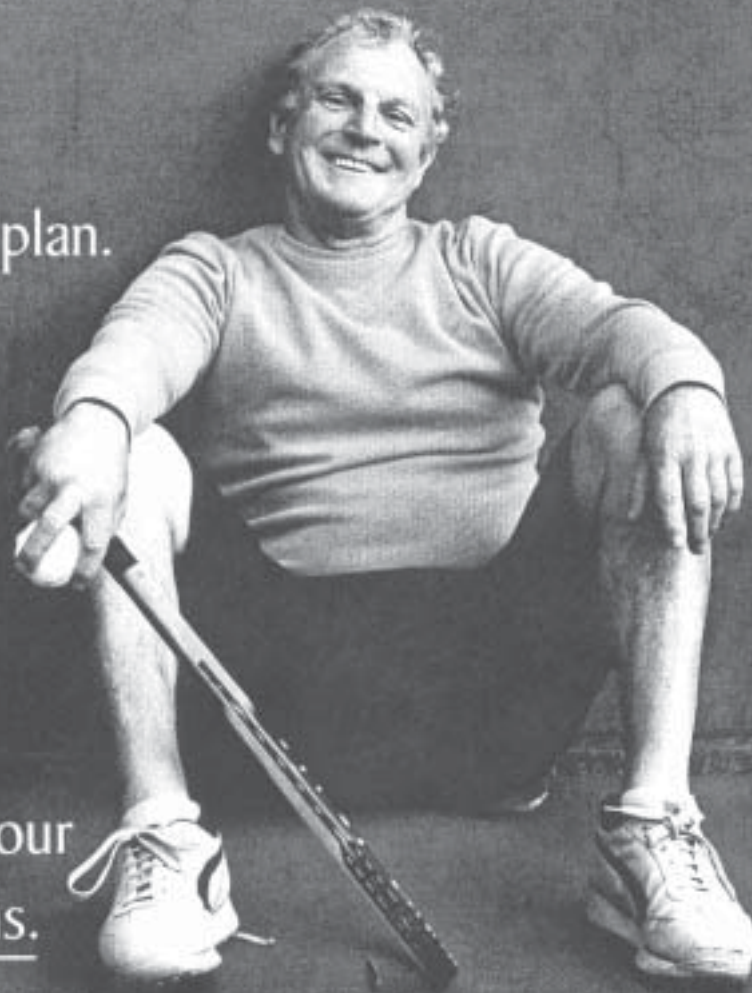


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Art and Culture

Marion Art Center Springs to Life

Piano Duo Concert

Reservations are now being accepted for a duo piano concert at the Marion Art Center on Sunday, March 23 at 4:00 pm. Featured artists are Kirk Whipple and Marilyn Morales, award-winning duo and solo pianists and composers. Their 2003 Spring Tour will feature pieces from their new CD, *Celebrating Americans*. Their rendition of Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" will rock you! The duo is on the Kennedy Center Approved Artist Roster for 2000/2003 and have performed in many distinguished venues as well as on TV and radio. Tickets for the concert are \$10 per person and can be reserved by calling the Marion Art Center at 508-748-1266.

Two-Person Exhibit

A two-person exhibition of pastel paintings is now on display at the Marion Art Center. Featured in this show are works by Nancy Michon and Peter Peavoy.

Ms. Michon is a resident of Chicopee, Massachusetts. She received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Visual Expression and Creative Services Development. She also studied art at Springfield College and attended work-

shops with several well-known artists. She taught art at St. Stanislaus School in Chicopee. She is a member of the Pastel Painters' Society of Cape Cod, the Connecticut Pastel Society, and is chair of the Springfield Art League to mention a few of her many affiliations.

She has exhibited in many places in Massachusetts and Connecticut. "In my view art/creativity comes from the soul," she said. "I feel that we, as human beings are all works of art, created by the Master Creator. Therefore, my work often leans toward the spiritual because of my creative inheritance ... the kind of art that I want to do needs to be positive and uplifting ... I work from life as well as from photos ... and my intention is to give the resulting painting a special interpretation ... to give the work a life of its own."

Peter Peavoy has a studio in Maynard, Massachusetts and is represented by Agora Gallery in Soho, New York. He attended The School of the Art Institute of Chicago where he received a BFA and a Certificate in Art and Technology.

Mr. Peavoy has had one-person shows at the



Above: During a recent Vermont ski trip to Sugarbush, this local group enjoyed sweet treats at the ever-popular Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream. While there, they posed with a copy of *The Wanderer*. Pictured here, from left to right, are: Kristen Landry, Sharon Baldwin, Sean Landry, (all of Rochester) and Lindsey LeBlanc (from Mattapoisett). (Photo courtesy of Sheila Landry).

On the cover: While Mattapoisett students in Grades K-3 are sharing space with their upperclassmen at the newly-renovated Old Hammondtown School, work has begun in earnest at Center School in the town village. According to officials this week, construction crews have been busy removing asbestos from the site in preparation for demolition, renovation and expansion of the cherished elementary school facility — the third such school renovation project in Mattapoisett in the last two years. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).



Left: Award-winning piano duo couple Kirk Whipple and Marilyn Morales will bring their 2003 Spring Tour to the Marion Art Center for a performance on Sunday, March 23 at 4:00 pm. Tickets are \$10 and may be reserved by calling the Marion Art Center at 508-748-1266. (Photo courtesy of Wendy Bidstrup).

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Concord Art Association and at the Brickton Gallery. Other group exhibitions range from New York, to Chicago, Michigan and Dallas, Texas. His work is in the corporate collections of Northwest Teleproductions and Kobotech in Chicago. Many of his pastels are landscapes of this area.

The Michon/Peavoy Exhibition will run through April 11. The Galleries at the Marion Art Center are open to the public Tuesday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm and Saturdays, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Admission is free.

Upcoming Classes

It has been said that "April is the Cruellest month ..." But why not change that to "APRIL IS THE CREATIVEST MONTH?"

Write a song, paint a picture, compose a poem or a story, learn about art and music and dance. Make something! New Classes are now forming at the Marion Art Center:

- **SONG WRITING**, a workshop for adults, will meet on Wednesdays, 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Elaine Cronin is the instructor. She is a well-known presence in this area's music scene, always involved in numerous endeavors. She is currently busy performing as pianist and songwriter for the popular, offbeat "Gypsy LaZizza's Chick Band." Her light-hearted approach to music should make this workshop fun and productive. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. Students should bring a notebook to the first class. April 2 to May 14 (six weeks). Fee: \$125/

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• **MUSIC TOGETHER** is a music and movement program for infants, toddlers, preschoolers and Kindergarten children and their parents or caregivers. The class will meet Tuesday mornings, 9:30 to 10:00 in the gallery. Through singing, marching, moving to music, every child's birthright of basic music competency is encouraged by the actual experiencing of music. Marilyn Brown is the instructor and has many years of experience and training in music education and performance. April 8 to June 17 (10 weeks). Fee: \$85/\$95 plus materials.

• **ALL ABOUT ME** is a multi-media art class for five- and six-year-olds. Instructor Lynne Parks Kuhl will explore sculpture, drawing and painting using the students as their own models. There will be a special project focusing on Mother's Day. The class meets Tuesday afternoons, 3:30 to 4:30 in the studio. April 1 - May 13 (six weeks). Fee: \$65/\$75.

• **IMAGINATION STATION** is an after-school program for kids in Grades 4-6 in creative writing. Instructor Nichole Charbonneau will encourage writing skills through poetry, theater, mystery, adventure, and autobiography. Tuesdays, 3:30 to 4:30 in the theater (six weeks). Fee: \$65/\$75 plus notebook.

• **ART UNLEASHED** will be offered in the studio on Saturday mornings 10:30 am to 12:00 noon. Instructor Rocky Raxter is a recent graduate of UMass Dartmouth with a B.A. in Art Education. He had a large following through the Purple Bus Program last summer sponsored

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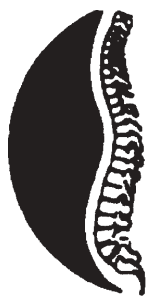

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• **DANCE, TERM III** meets on Thursdays, Debbie Johnson, instructor. Kinderstep: 2-2:45; Firststeps I: 3-3:45; Firststeps II: 3:45-4:30; Ballet, Tap, Jazz: 4:30-5:30; April 3-June 12; Recital: June 13 (10 weeks). Fee: \$115/\$130.

• **PRIVATE LESSONS** by appointment in Piano, Voice and Flute. Term III: April 7 - June 19 (10 weeks). Fee: \$200.

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Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

March 10, 2003

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, March 10 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Paul Lambalot. Also present were Selectman Barry Denham, Selectman Raymond Andrews, and Executive Secretary Carol Adams.

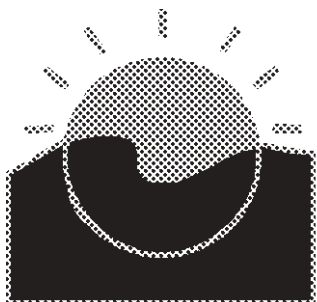
After first approving the minutes of the February 24 and February 26 meetings, the board signed and approved the appointment of James F. Harlfinger to the Fire Station Building Committee; signed and approved the warrant for the April 1, 2003 Annual Town Election;

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and then sent correspondence to Glenna Sanford thanking her for organizing the Silent Auction recently held at Center School. "Over \$10,600 was raised at that Silent Auction," Selectman Andrews noted.

The board met with Town Clerk Barbara Sullivan at 7:05 pm regarding the Annual Town Election to be held at the Knights of Columbus (KOC) Hall on Route 6 on Tuesday, April 1. Ms. Sullivan noted that due to the increase in student population at Old Hammondtown School while Center School is under construction, the election will once again be held at the KOC Hall. The Annual Town Meeting is also scheduled for May 19, 20 and 21 at Old Hammondtown School.

The board next signed letters to be sent to indi-

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vidual land owners regarding the land takings for the Mattapoisett Bike Path. "There are two small parcels where they can't identify ownership," Selectman Denham said. "We'll have to wait until the owners come forward. The Bike Path plan is in meters ... so if they take the square meters and multiply it by 1.96 they'll get square yards."

Under meetings scheduled for the week, Ms. Adams noted that the next Selectmen's meeting will be held on *Tuesday*, March 25 at 7:00 pm.

Ms. Adams added that Richard Dupuis submitted a letter of resignation from the Finance Committee (FinCom), as such there is now a vacancy which needs to be filled. "I will be accepting letters of interest until March 21," she said.

Selectman Andrews also wished to remind parents in town that Center School is now a designated construction area, and children should be kept away from it.

Under incoming correspondence, the board received:

- Request from Cyndy Hebert and Sue Roylance to install a bench at Shipyard Park in memory of their father, Norman Roylance. "Unlike the fixed benches, they are removable," Selectman Denham said. "They can be moved ... for the band concerts and to mow the lawn."

- Copy of a letter from Water/Sewer Commission Chairman James Huntoon to Coalition for Buzzards Bay (CBB) Executive Director Mark Rasmussen, requesting a

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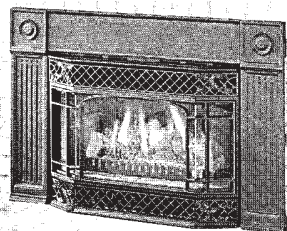
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copy of the terms of an agreement between the CBB and The Bay Club, which would apparently have an impact on Mattapoisett's agreement with the Town of Fairhaven.

"I don't see how the CBB can use their leverage to extort money from the Town of Mattapoisett to support projects (in New Bedford harbor)," Selectman Denham said. "I don't see it's in the best interest of the Town of Mattapoisett."

- Copy of a letter sent to State Representative William Straus from Water/Sewer Superintendent William T. Nicholson requesting support for Senate Bill 1206, an act to protect public water supply lands.

- Memo from Building Inspector Andy Bobola seeking the Selectmen's support in urging state legislators to oppose the Governor's proposal that the Department of Public Safety budget be placed within the Department of Consumer Affairs. "If all ... cities and towns send letters, it could put some pressure on (the Department of Consumer Affairs and Commercial Services)," Selectman Andrews agreed.

- Letter from Jane Awad seeking approval to declare May 1, 2003 as "National Day of Prayer in Mattapoisett." A gathering will be held in front of Town Hall on that date. The board sanctioned this event again for this year.

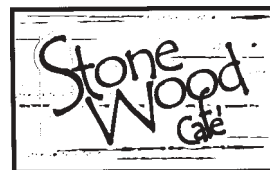
- Request from Ardith J. Bell-Bshara, seeking appointment to the Council on Aging (COA). Ms. Adams said she would forward this to the COA.

- Notice from Paul Milott of the Computer Advisory Board (CAB), advising that they have been working to develop new features and enhancements to the town's website (**www.mattapoisett.net**).

- Notice from the Planning Board that a public hearing will be held on the application of the Library Trustees regarding proposed site improvements to the library on March 17 at 8:00 pm in the Town Hall.

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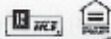
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• Memo from Police Chief Mary Lyons updating the board on various new assignments within the Police Department: Officer Justin King has been assigned the position of Safety Officer; Officer Trenton Garde will assist Officer Anthony Days with substance abuse education at Old Hammondtown School and ORR Junior High School; and Officer William McIlmail will be the Community Policing Officer responsible for the Neighborhood Watch Program.

Selectman Andrews said they need to start scheduling public hearings regarding the cable contract renewal process soon after the upcoming election. "I think we need to get in contact with Dan White, Chairman of the Cable Advisory Committee," he said. "This will be the

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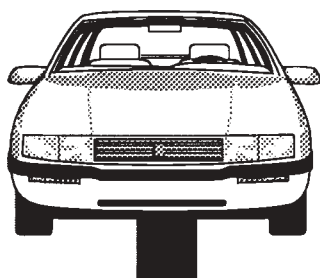
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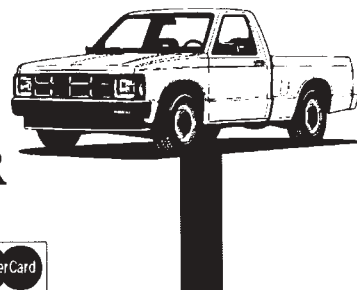


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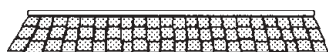
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Selectman Andrews also noted work at Center School is proceeding, including the abatement of asbestos in the building. "Right now they're abating the 1930s wing ... then the 1950s wing," he said. "But it's moving ahead very well."

At 7:30 pm the board met with members of the Personnel Board regarding the position of Administrative Assistant.

"We've had (Ms. Adams) draw up some of the requirements for the position," Chairman Lambalot said. "We want you to go over them and come up with a salary range, based upon the requirements we've put into the position."

Chairman Lambalot also noted there's been "some confusion" among department heads in going to the Personnel Board directly to request that positions be reclassified. "They should come to (the Board of Selectmen) first," he said. "We just wanted to clarify that so we're not going through everything twice."

"The only thing that came before us ... was the Children's Librarian (position)," said Personnel Board Chairman Bert Theriault. "But they were able to hire someone at the union rate."

At 7:45 pm the board met with members of the Recreation Committee and Recreation Director John Haley. The committee wanted to give the board an update on their plans to renovate and expand Seth Martin Field at Old Hammondtown School. They presented some plans to the board, along with cost estimates for the proposed project.

The committee expressed their preference to have the new field ready for this spring, given the fact that the field at Center School has been eliminated and there's nothing at ORR High School available, either.



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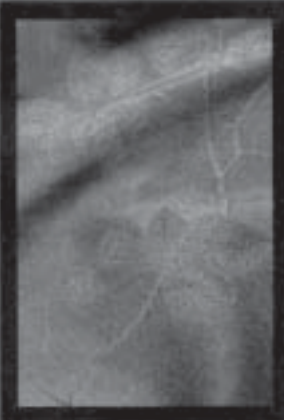
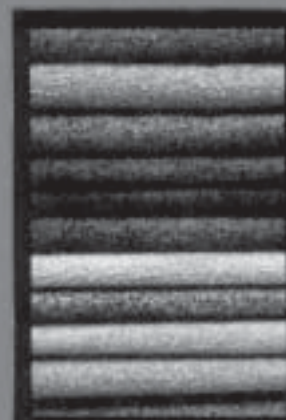
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Chairman Lambalot asked how the project would be funded. "We're working with the Mattapoisett Youth Activities Association (MYAA) and we're hoping to have contributions from people who have expressed interest," Mr. Haley said. "That's why we're here tonight. We're going before the School Committee and Conservation Commission (ConCom) next. Spring is coming, so we need to get a jump on it."

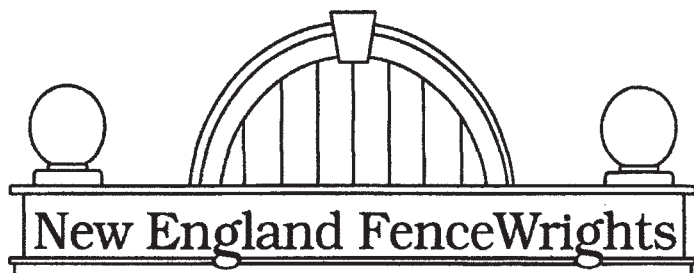
The Recreation Committee hopes to use some \$7,500 they have now to level the field and fine-tune it.

"We certainly need to replace that field we lost at Center School," Chairman Lambalot agreed. "You certainly have the unanimous support of the board ... I think it's a worthwhile project."

At 8:00 pm the board met with Mitch Suzan and members of the MYAA regarding the Recreation Committee's request to fund the baseball field.

"We've been approached by the Recreation Committee to help them build a field at Old Hammondtown School," Mr. Suzan said. "We wanted to make sure it was okay. We have heard people talking about soccer fields — not that we have anything against soccer, but we didn't want to see soccer played out there all the time. Everyone goes to Fairhaven and Marion (for soccer now) and we can't compete with that."

MYAA member Tad Morse asked about the policy for fund-raising on town property. Selectman Denham said such fund-raising efforts are done all the time — the Mattapoisett Lions Club uses Shipyard Park in the



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summer, for example — but it's a good idea to let the town officials know and request permission beforehand.

But there was some concern over the fact that the MYAA, as a private, non-profit organization, was using public property to raise monies for non-public projects: one of their long-term goals is to build a private athletic facility in the future. Both Selectman Andrews and Selectman Denham were under the impression that the MYAA was a fund-raising arm of the Recreation Committee and that all money raised from selling advertising banners at the baseball field would be used to support Mattapoisett-based recreation programs.

"The money from that advertising (at the baseball field) should go to support the baseball program (in town)," Selectman Denham said. "What you're looking to set up is a private activities center."

"It would make me feel a lot more comfortable if the MYAA sat down with the Recreation Committee to try and resolve the advertising issue (at the baseball field)," Selectman Andrews said. "As it stands right now, I could no longer support the (advertising) banners at Longo Field."

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"As far as longtime advertising in those fields, I feel the money raised should go to the sports program," Selectman Denham agreed.

The board asked that the MYAA and Recreation Committee get together to come to a consensus on how the funds which are raised should be allocated.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:39 pm.

Sports Shorts

Mattapoisett Basketball

Following are the team standings for the Mattapoisett Recreation Basketball League as of March 8, 2003: Fifth and Sixth Grade Girls – **McGlynn's Lions (8-2); Kondrecki's Wild Cats (6-2); MacDonald's Bruins (6-4); Mello's Irish (4-2); Lake's Eagles (3-8); Matthews' J. Hawkes (2-6); Price's Cardinals (2-7);** Fifth and Sixth Grade Boys – **Days Tarheels (8-1); Huggins' Friars (5-2); Nelson's Orangemen (3-4); Botelho's Blue Devils (3-6); Mahoney's Minutemen (2-4); Suzan's Eagles (1-5).**

Marion Tennis Challenger

The Marion Indoor Tennis Club recently hosted the **Junior 16 Challenger Singles Tournament** on March 8. In the girls division it was **Cayla Clancy** of Mattapoisett (6-1; 6-1) and **Caitlin Hughes** of Springfield, MA (6-1; 6-0) who made it to the final round from a pack of eight contenders. Likewise, **Dixon Simmons** of Narragansett, RI (6-0; 6-0) and **Will Cook** of Brookline, MA (6-4; 7-5) made it to the final round from the more competitive pack of 16 contenders in the boys division.

Mattapoisett-Fairhaven Shootout

The Mattapoisett and Fairhaven Recreation Departments have joined forces to present the First Annual Primetime Shootout on March 29 at 11:00 am at the Old Hammondtown School Gym. This event consists of a shooting contest for the youth basketball players of Mattapoisett and Fairhaven, where shots are taken from designated spots on the floor for one minute. There will be both a girls and boys division with age brackets being 9-10, 11-12, and 13-14. After the youth event, the Mattapoisett Youth Coaches take on the Fairhaven Youth Coaches to show the kids how the game is supposed to be played — or not, you be the judge! Applications for the 9-

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The event is organized by the New Bedford, Beverly, Mattapoisett and Low Tide Yacht Clubs and hosted by the New Bedford Yacht Club (South Dartmouth) and the Beverly Yacht Club (Marion) in alternating years. Some 300 volunteers drawn from these clubs and local communities will plan and staff the event. Mount Gay Rum, West Marine and Vanguard Sailboats will sponsor BBR 2003, and a significant portion of the proceeds is donated to Community Boating of New Bedford. Additional information and the Notice of Race can be found online at www.BuzzardsBayRegatta.com.

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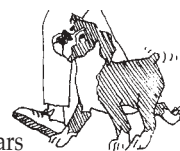
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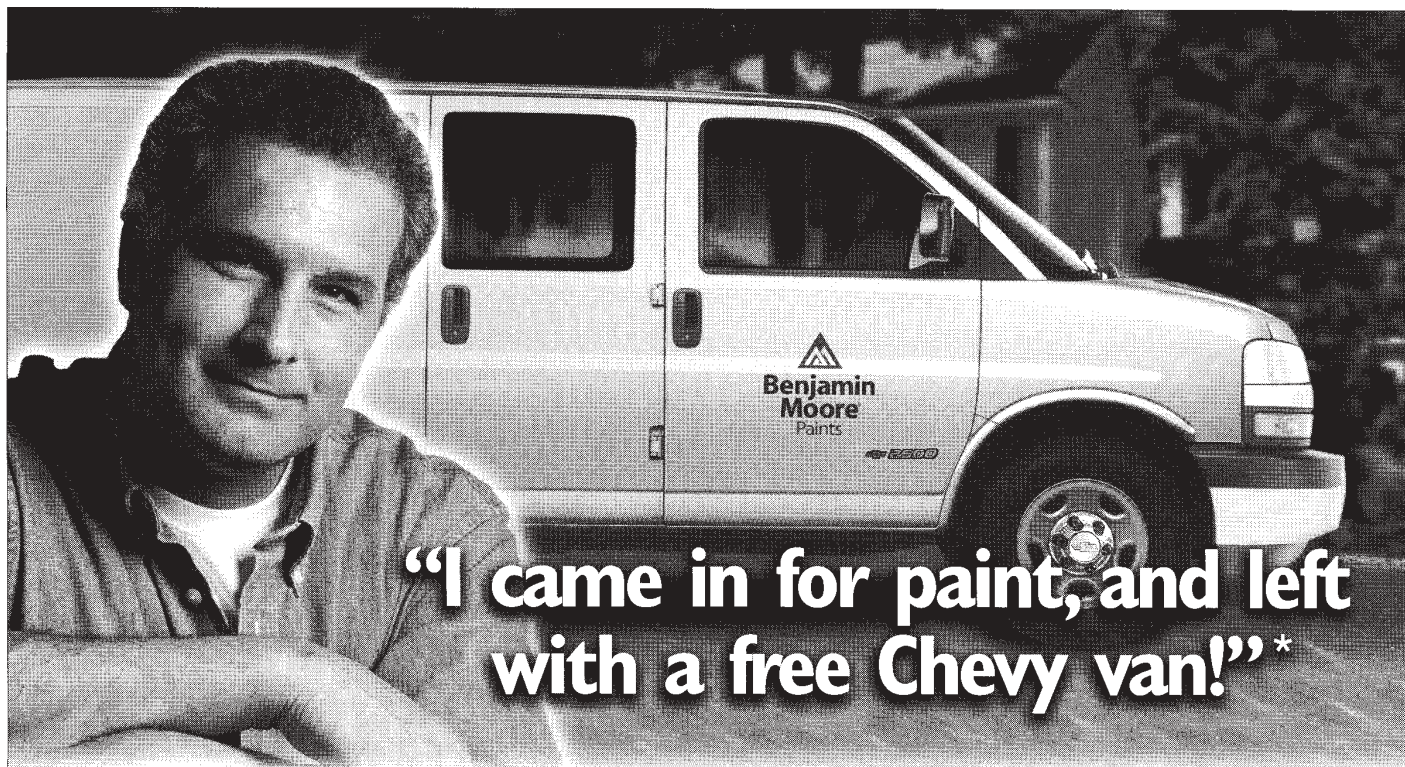
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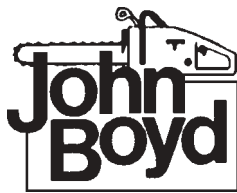
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

The 21st century has presented Marion and her residents with a great many challenges, not the least of which is the proposed development (40B) in North Marion. This development threatens to destroy the peace and quiet of an old and established neighborhood. But we are often unable to stop change. So, the Sippican Historical and Preservation Society is asking that all parties involved use "thoughtful consideration" when making changes.

In 1998 when the Sippican Historical and Preservation Society commissioned a survey of the town's architecture, several houses in the area were identified as being architecturally significant. This alone does not make a neighborhood, only enhance it. North Front Street is important because it has been the main road connecting Marion and Rochester since the days of Sippican Village.

Once again the Sippican Historical and Preservation Society would like to encourage all parties involved to reflect on this character before making any changes.

Sincerely,

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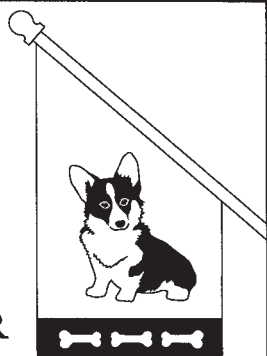
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To the Editor:

Thank you (Mattapoisett) Selectmen Paul Lambalot and Ray Andrews for signing the paperwork to go forward with Phase I of the Mattapoisett Bike and Recreational Path. This step was important in carrying out the town's wishes, which have been expressed at numerous Town Meetings.

There have been a few articles recently that continue to oppose the Mattapoisett Bike and Recreational Path. One writer indicated that we should not have a paved path; she preferred the path to remain dirt. I was happy that this woman was so knowledgeable about bike paths in other states, and she even sounded like she supported bike paths. I would just like to comment on one thing.

In my opinion, paving the bike path is important. Many of us who have the use of our strong limbs easily forget that many others do not enjoy that same good health that we so

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easily take for granted. Having a paved path instead of a dirt path ensures that those people who are wheelchair-bound will be able to access the beautiful, natural woods that we so easily enjoy. Rollerbladers will also be able to enjoy a paved path and so will those who are not so steady on their feet. Considering a town like Mattapoisett where the population swells to accommodate an additional 10,000-plus people during the summer months, I would think that a path that accommodates as much recreation as possible would be the better choice.

Let's just get Phase I built, and then we will see what great things this alternate route of transportation will do for our town.

Sincerely,
Diane Fortin-Curtin
Mattapoisett

To the Editor:

One advantage of not being President or one of the diplomats in our nation's politics is that one can say all that one thinks. Well, almost, just so one doesn't touch any of the "Don't you dare hurt anyone's feelings" third rails or electric fences erected by politically-correct multi-culturalists.

For instance, I can, and do, protest the very existence of the United Nations. The UN is a dysfunctional conglomeration of mostly Communist, Socialist, and/or dictator-run countries. With one vote for every country, no matter what size. Except for a few of the most powerful countries having a veto, these would have had to leave long ago or be Gullivers tied up by Lilliputs — so preposterous are some of the programs voted in by the majority.

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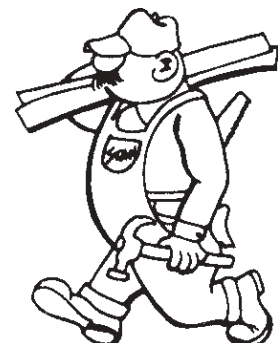
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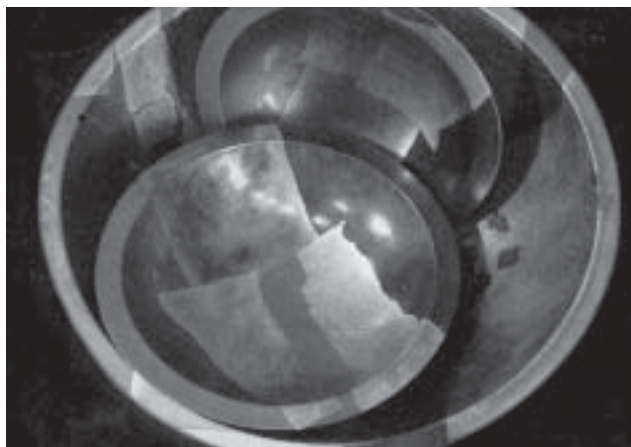
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Sincerely,
Allan Holmes Vaites
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FORM Concert Rescheduled

The FORM (Friends of Old Rochester Music) Instrumental Concert has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 18 due to last week's snowstorm. The concert will begin at 6:30 pm in the gymnasium of Old Rochester

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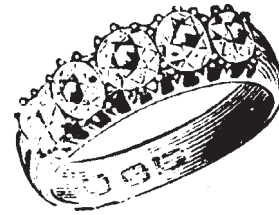
The Instrumental Concert will feature bands from Old Hammondtown School, Sippican Elementary School, Rochester Memorial School, and ORR Junior and Senior High Schools. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children and seniors. Parents of music students are encouraged to attend. Proceeds from the concert will benefit the scholarship fund for graduating music students at ORR High School.

At the conclusion of the instrumental concert, there will be a finale featuring all the groups performing a musical selection together. Any parent of a concert band or chorus student in the ORR Junior or Senior Music Programs are welcome to attend any FORM meeting. These meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm at ORR High School.

Tri-Town Childhood Meeting

A meeting of the Tri-Town Early Childhood Council will be held on Thursday, March 20 beginning at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria of Rochester Memorial School.

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The council will review the amended budget reflecting the most recent cuts of 11.6 percent and the impact the cuts will have had on families and services.

An update on funding for FY 2004 will be presented by Jane Taylor, Early Childhood Coordinator. Governor Mitt Romney's budget has eliminated *Community Partnerships for Children* completely. The implications of this will be examined. The council will need to strategize how it will advocate for programs and services given the budget predictions.

Anyone interested in early education and family support is encouraged to attend. Child care will be available to pre-registered families on a fee basis. Please call the Early Childhood Office by Monday, March 17 if you plan to use the child care services (508-748-1863).

Summer Gardens for Tour

In the midst of all this snow, the Mattapoisett Woman's Club is planning a beautiful garden tour for Saturday, July 12. Would you like to share your garden and/or landscaping with them? They'd love to hear from you. Please call Jan at 508-758-8992 for more information.

Book Treasures in Marion

The Sippican Woman's Club will host Dave Nelson, a New Bedford bookseller, at the March 14 meeting to be held at Handy's Tavern at 12:30 pm. Mr. Nelson will present a talk about treasured volumes and

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how to keep and preserve these treasures. Mr. Nelson, who also deals in ephemera, postcards, paintings, prints and photographs, will be available to examine old magazines and books brought to the meeting by members.

Hostess Sandra Beck, assisted by Wendy Cullum, Lois Hirschmann, Ellen Keogh, Hanna Milhench, Barbara Murphy, Ginny Nicholson, Susan Olson, Betsy Parks, Alice Sollows, Mimi Turnbull, and Marilyn Winters, will prepare and serve a finger food luncheon to the members, followed by a brief business meeting and Mr. Nelson's talk.

Rochester Historical Society

March Meeting

Meetings of the Rochester Historical Society are held on the third Wednesday evening of most months at 7:00 pm in the North Rochester Congregational Church basement hall on North Avenue in Rochester. On March 19 at 7:00 pm, the Rochester Historical Society will hold its next monthly meeting. The speaker will be Charles Dunn, a lifelong resident of Mattapoisett. His family has lived here since Samuel Hammond, one of Rochester's original proprietors, settled here in 1680. Mr. Dunn will speak on his Great Grandfather Charles Hammond, who was a helmsman on the whaler *Ocean Rover*. The *Ocean Rover* was sunk by the Confederate raider *Alabama* during the Civil War. This lecture was postponed from February. The public is invited to attend this meeting and lecture.

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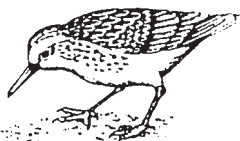
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History Online

Be sure to check out the Rochester Historical Society's website at www.plumblibrary.com/historicalsociety.html. The site showcases a collection of historic photos of the Town of Rochester, lists Society officers, gives information on meeting dates and speakers, and has links to other sites of interest. For more information on the Historical Society, please contact President James Gurney at 508-748-3035 or Secretary Sue LaFleur at 508-295-8908.

Blood Pressure Clinics

Blood Pressure Clinics for the month of March will be held on Wednesday, March 12 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm and on Wednesday, March 19 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Clinics are held at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street and are open to all Mattapoisett residents.

Blue Book Deadline

The League of Women Voters' Tri-Town Telephone Directory ("The Blue Book") is currently being updated for its 19th edition. The 2003-2004 phone book will be released in June 2003. Residents who are new to the area or are not listed in the Verizon telephone directory and would like to be included in the Blue Book should call Christine Reid at 508-748-3251 or Tracy Donovan-Lynch at 508-295-1042. New entry information

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School Committee Meetings

- Thursday, March 20 at 7:00 pm – Rochester School Committee at Memorial School.
- Monday, March 24 at 7:00 pm – Mattapoisett School Committee at Old Hammondtown School.

Mattapoisett Candidates Night

The Mattapoisett Lions Club announced its annual Candidates Night. All candidates seeking election or re-election to public office have been invited to present their views to the town.

Each unopposed candidate will be allowed three minutes in which to make their presentation, followed by questions from the audience. Opposed candidates will have the opportunity to make five minute presentations. After each opposed candidate has completed their presentation, they then together will respond to questions.

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Rochester Family Fundraiser

The staff and PTO members of Rochester Memorial School in Rochester will hold a fundraiser for the Robinson-Jones family, who lost their home in a January fire. The event is titled "Beat the Winter Blues Pizza Party" and will be held in Rochester Memorial School's Cafetorium, 16 Pine Street, on Friday, March 14 at 5:30 pm. Entertainment will be provided by Kathy Medina's Dance Studio and Gypsy LaZizza's Chick Band. There will be a Chinese Auction which will include gifts and hand-crafted items donated by staff members and parents. Other "surprise auction items" are too special to announce. Any donations will be gratefully accepted at the school office. All proceeds will go to the Robinson-Jones family. Tickets are \$6 each and may be purchased in advance by contacting Nancy Sparklin at 508-763-2327.

Marion Local Scholarships

Applications for \$500 Marion Local Scholarships are available at the Marion Town House and at area high school guidance offices. All Class of 2003 Marion high school graduates and Marion residents continuing their education are eligible. Applications must be returned by April 18 for consideration. For more information, please contact Town Clerk/Treasurer/Collector Debra Blanchette at 508-748-3505.

There are currently enough funds to award five \$500 scholarships. Donations to the Scholarship/Education Fund are always welcome and greatly appreciated. Checks may be dropped off at the Treasurer's Office or mail to 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738.

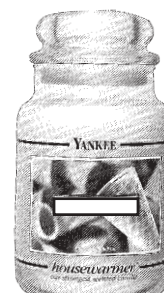
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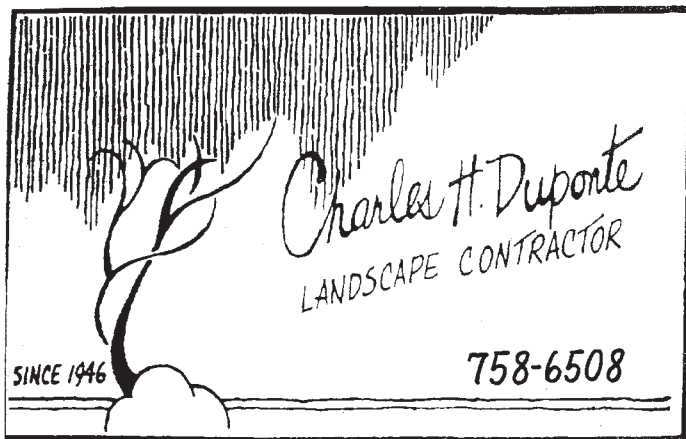
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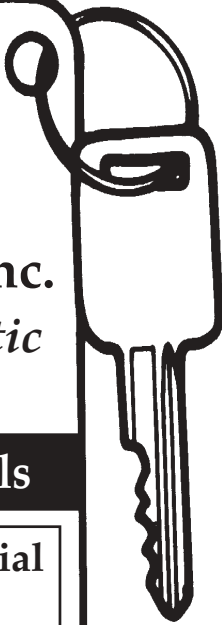
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The Annual Town Meeting will begin on Monday, April 28, 2003 at 6:45 pm in the Sippican School Auditorium and the Election will be held in the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, on Friday, May 2, 2003 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Voters may also register by mail using mail-in forms which are available throughout the state or during regular Town House business hours: Monday - Thursday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm; and Fridays, 8:00 am to 3:30 pm.

Rochester Farm Walk

Join the Rochester Land Trust and Trustees of Reservation on Sunday, March 23 to tour Eastover Farm in Rochester. The groups invite you to join them for a walk on the farm. Meet at 1:00 pm in the parking area behind the farm stand at the corner of Mary's Pond and Hiller Roads. Please wear sturdy shoes or boots, and a warm jacket to ward off the wind coming off Leonards Pond. Bring binoculars, cameras and questions about the joint effort to permanently protect 800 acres of Eastover Farm — and remember that Town Meeting is March 24 and the Annual Town Election is April 9.

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Jack Beck: Silver Award

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Barbara Beatty: Silver Award

Barbara joined Coldwell Banker Hayes Associates two years ago and has consistently performed at the highest standards in real estate. Her attention to detail and energetic personality are a few of the characteristics which contribute to her success. Barbara is extremely grateful to all of her clients who have placed their trust and loyalty in her to address their real estate needs and looks forward to continuing her track record in the upcoming year.



Susan Winn: Silver Award

Susan had been a top producing broker for the entire eight years she has been with Coldwell Banker Hayes Associates. She has a positive energetic attitude accompanied with a thorough knowledge of the real estate business. Working with Susan throughout the South Coast area her clients have found a broker that has made what can be a stressful process both rewarding and fun. Susan resides in Mattapoisett with her husband Arne and her two children Jenna, age 15 and Jake, age 11. She can be reached at 508-748-3044 ext.37 or at 508-758-3118

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Carol is a full time sales agent and has been an active associate of Coldwell Banker and Hayes Associates for 11 years. She enjoys working with her customers and helping them make their important real estate decisions. Ms. Shannon resides in Marion with her Husband Bill. In her spare time she enjoys a game of golf or tennis. She can be reached at 508-748-3044 or her cell phone at 508-982-8218



Kathleen Clear: Rookie of the Year 2002

Kathleen Clear has been building a successful business in real estate on the South Coast since moving to the area three years ago. With a home in South Dartmouth and an office in Marion, her real estate expertise covers the entire South Coast area, from Westport to Wareham. Her sales this year have already reached over \$1M. Please contact her at: 508-748-3044 ext.44.



Julie King: Rookie of the Year 2002

Julie King has been awarded the Top Producer of the month for Coldwell Banker Hayes Associates for January and February 2003 and so is beginning another outstanding year. She prides herself on providing personal attention and the best possible service to her clients. Julie is a native Tri-town resident who graduated from Old Rochester Regional High School and UMass with a BA in Psychology. Prior to beginning her real estate career, Julie worked as a Social Worker implementing home care services for the elderly in the community. Julie currently resides in Mattapoisett with her husband Jason and 3 year old twins Caitlyn and Logan. She can be reached a 508-748-3044 Ext.30 for all of your real estate needs.



Meg Andrews: Rookie of the Year 2002

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Heidi Kimball: Rookie of the Year 2002

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Rochester School Building Committee

The first meeting of the Rochester Memorial School Building Committee will be held on Wednesday, March 19 at 7:00 pm at the Rochester Town Hall.

Les Miserables at ORR

The Old Rochester Regional Drama Club is pleased to present *Les Miserables - School Edition* performed entirely by students, a musical by Alain Boublil and Claude-Michel Schonberg, based on the novel by Victor Hugo. The School Edition is specially adapted and licensed by Music Theatre International and Cameron Mackintosh. It is the timeless story of ex-convict Jean Valjean, as portrayed by senior Nicholas Hamer, who is constantly on the watch for the relentless and calculating Inspector Javert, played by senior Kevin Hart.

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Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors. They may be purchased in advance at Plumb Corner Market in Rochester; the Marion General Store; and Seaport Village Ice Cream and Coffee Shop in Mattapoisett. Tickets will also be available at the door on a first-come, first-served basis.

Highway to Peace

The Southeastern Massachusetts Committee For Peace will be holding a Peace Vigil Against the War on Iraq along Route 6 from Swansea, MA to Brewster, MA on Cape Cod: "Make Route 6 a Highway to Peace." Concerned citizens are invited to attend this dramatic event and bring their own signs to gather at each of the specific

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For more information, please contact: Jim Hornsby, Greater Fall River area coordinator (508-672-6607); Marlene Pollock, Greater New Bedford area (508-982-8751); or Steve Mello, Wareham area coordinator (508-295-8214).

Mattapoisett Woman's Club

The March meeting of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club will be held at 12:00 noon on Thursday, March 20 at Reynard Hall of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Don't miss the March entertainment provided by the wonderful actress Judy Bernstein, who will present "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the White House: A Celebration of 200 Years of Political Humor in America, From George to George." Guaranteed chuckles and

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The Mattapoisett Woman's Club will sponsor a Scholarship Fundraiser on Thursday, March 27 at Your Theater, 71 Maxfield Street in New Bedford. The play is "Dancing At Lughnasa" and curtain time is 8:00 pm. For tickets, please call Frances Cairns at 508-758-9754.

Rochester Student Scholarships

The Rochester Scholarship Committee was established in 1997 for the purpose of providing scholarships to worthy Rochester senior high school college bound students.

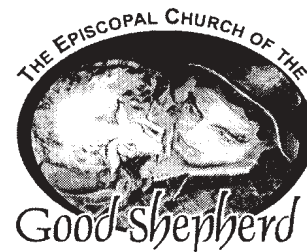
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This committee has been successful in prior years rewarding at least two scholarships per year. They encourage residents to continue their generosity to allow this endeavor to continue.

High school senior students residing in the town of Rochester who wish to apply for a Rochester Town College Scholarship can get a scholarship application at their high school guidance office, Rochester Town Hall, Plumb Library website, or at Plumb Library. Applications are now available to students. Completed applications can be returned to Rochester Town Hall.

Marion Library Boosts Service

The Elizabeth Taber Library in Marion is now offering its highly valued reference services 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

It's 11:00 pm and you can't sleep because you don't know the answer to a nagging question? Just e-mail the library via your home computer with the question. The library will e-mail you back a response within 24 hours (or on Monday if it's Saturday). Now you can sleep, knowing your answer's on its way.

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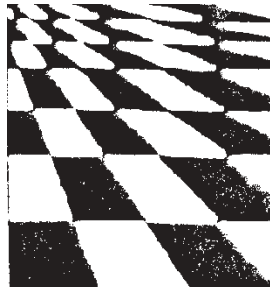
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of the several ways to get the information you need from your local library. "When emailing a question," said Library Director Judith Kleven, "be as specific and precise as you can be. That will help us respond accurately to your request."

Reference 24/7 is not intended for patrons doing homework or lengthy research. So if you're writing a paper or doing a detailed study, it's best to visit the library where our staff will be happy to help you in person.

"For shorter questions, Reference 24/7 is simply one more convenient way to get the answers you need," Ms. Kleven added. You can email the question directly from the library's web home page (www.sailsinc.org/marion) by clicking on Reference 24/7 icon. The service is also available on the Services and Databases page of the website.

Ms. Kleven reminded her patrons that the library's new Reference 24/7 is just one of the many valuable services the library provides, and that the other, more traditional and personal means of utilizing the library's reference section are always available. Those include: doing the research yourself in the library's extensive reference collection, asking for assistance from the library's staff in person, and via telephone.

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Acushnet Historical Society

The Acushnet Historical Society meets on the third Thursday of the month, March through November. Unless announced the meeting takes place in the basement of The Long Plain Museum, 1203 Main Street in Acushnet at 7:00 pm. The well-lit entrance is in the rear of the museum where there is plenty of parking. The date, time and place of the December Christmas Party is announced at the November meeting. Members and

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Mattapoisett Maconchu Club

The next meeting of the Maconchu Club will be held on Saturday, March 15 at 7:30 pm in Reynard Hall at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Hank Seaman and his wife, Susan Pawlak-Seaman, both writers for *The Standard-Times*, will give the club some insight into what goes on in the newsroom. The club will, of course, serve refreshments after the meeting. All are invited to attend.

In April, the Maconchu Club will be attending the play *Les Miserables* at Old Rochester Regional High School in lieu of their regular meeting.

Rochester Trustee Sought

There will be two positions open on the Rochester Board of Library Trustees on the upcoming April election ballot, and only one candidate has taken out papers for re-election. The Board of Trustees would like to hear from residents interested in serving on the board and running as a possible write-in candidate. Terms run for three years. Interested candidates should draft a letter to the Board of Library Trustees stating their interest and giving a brief description of their background. Candidates



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Mattapoisett Gospel Vespers

On Sunday evening, March 16 at 7:00 pm, a Gospel Vesper Service will be held in the sanctuary of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Performing this service will be David Bettencourt and friends from the Calvary Pentacostal Church in Freetown. In addition to the music shared by this group, there will be an opportunity for some congregational singing as well. A free-will

offering will be taken to be donated to the musicians. This vesper service is open to the public. Please come and invite your friends to join in.

Rochester Rabies Clinic

The Town of Rochester will hold a Rabies Clinic for Dogs and Cats on Saturday, April 5 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Rochester Grange Hall on Hartley Road. The fee is \$10 per pet.

Tri-County Concert

The Tri-County Symphonic Band concludes its 41st season with a concert on Sunday, March 16 at 3:00 pm at the Tabor Academy Fireman Performing Arts Center in Marion.

Under the direction of Daniel Lasdow, the band will perform John Philip Sousa's "King Cotton March," Gustav Holst's "Second Suite in F for Military Band," Malcolm Arnold's "Four Scottish Dances," and, in honor of St. Patrick's Day, Leroy Anderson's "The Irish Washerwoman," and Percy Grainger's "Irish Tune from County Derry."

A special feature will be alto saxophone soloist Trevor Kellum, performing "Persuasion," by Sammy Nestico. Kellum, a student at Old Rochester Regional High School, has received numerous honors recognizing his musical abilities. He plays with a style and maturity far beyond his age that is certain to impress and amaze those in the audience.

Tickets for this concert are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Children under five are admitted free. Tickets may be purchased in Dartmouth at The Symphony Music Shop, in New Bedford at the Shawmut Diner, in Fairhaven at Top Music and in Marion at The Bookstall. Tickets are also available at the door on the day of the concert.

The concert is made possible in part by local Cultural Council grants and the support of Tri-County Music Association benefactors, patrons, and sponsors. For more information about the concert, please call 508-758-4457 or 508-758-4541.



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Absentee Ballots

Absentee Ballots for the April 7, 2003 Town Election are now available at the Town Clerk's office. If a registered voter is unable to vote on Election Day because of illness or being out of town, he or she may request an Absentee Ballot application from the Town Clerk's Office. You may come to the office in person or you may call 508-998-0215 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Last Day to Register

New residents and residents who are not registered voters who wish to vote in the town's Annual Election on April 7, 2003 can do so by contacting the Town Clerk's Office. *The last day to register to vote in the election will be Thursday, March 13, 2003.* The Town Clerk's Office is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 am until 4:00 pm. Voter registration can also be done by mail. Please call 508-998-0215 for details.

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Mattapoisett Museum Program

On March 16 at 2:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Museum and Carriage House, you will have an opportunity to learn more about the cranberry industry of the area. Sheila Martin of Marion, who has been involved in the cranberry industry, will share with the group the history of the industry in this area as well as the present-day status of the cranberry industry. The program will be held at the Mattapoisett Museum and Carriage House, 5 Church Street in Mattapoisett. The program is open to the public and everyone is invited to attend.

Marion Rummage Sale

The Marion United Methodist Church will hold a Spring Rummage Sale on Friday, March 21 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and Saturday, March 22 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. There will be a \$2 "Fill A Bag" Sale on Saturday and donations are accepted. Items can be dropped off at the side door of the church or by calling Else Hiller at 508-748-2933.



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Mattapoisett Spring Dinner

The choir of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church would like you to join them on Saturday evening, March 22 at 6:00 pm for a delicious roast pork dinner prepared by the group. Proceeds will go towards helping the church meet its many community goals. Music will be offered during the dinner by Rick LeBlanc. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$4 for children (5-12), or \$25 for the whole family. Please call the church before March 19 between 9:00 am and 12:00 noon for more information and reservations at 508-758-2671.

"Old" North Rochester Church

The friendly people of the "Old" North Rochester Congregational Church invite you to worship with them every Sunday at 10:00 am. Music will be provided by organist Denise Wright.

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On Monday and Thursday, from 5:00 to 6:00 pm, Youth Karate Classes are held at the "Old" North Rochester Congregational Church. For more information, please call 1-800-730-7603.

A Women and Teens Self-Defense Class is held on Mondays from 6:00 to 7:00 pm at the church.

Karate for Preschoolers (3 to 5 years old) will be held on Thursdays from 4:30 to 5:00 pm at the church. For more information, please call 1-800-730-7603.

A Pancake Breakfast will be held in the North Rochester Church Hall on Saturday, March 22 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Tickets are only \$5 per person.

Mattapoisett Rabies Clinic

A Cat and Dog Rabies Clinic will be held on Sunday, March 30 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Mattapoisett Fire Station on Route 6. The fee is \$10 per animal and all pets must be properly restrained (all dogs must be leashed). Mattapoisett dog licenses will also be available at the clinic. The program is sponsored by the Mattapoisett Board of Health, Capeway Veterinary

Hospital, and the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture. For more information, please call the Mattapoisett Board of Health at 508-758-4112.

Loft School Enrollment

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NBHS Class of '73 Reunion

The Reunion Committee for the New Bedford High School Class of 1973 is happy to announce the details of their 30th year celebration. A buffet dinner will be held on Saturday, November 29, 2003 at White's on the Watuppa in Westport. More plans will be forthcoming. They would like to update their current records and ask that you send your name, phone number, address and e-mail address to: NBHS Class of 1973, P.O. Box 256, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Toy Soldiers

By Rob Gonsalves
<http://robsreviews.cjb.net>



Tears of the Sun. Starring Bruce Willis and Monica Bellucci. Directed by Antoine Fuqua. Running time: 118 minutes. MPAA rating: R. At AMC Cinema 12 at the North Dartmouth Mall and Flagship Cinema 12 in New Bedford.

Steven Spielberg's *Saving Private Ryan* has had a terrible, lingering effect on war movies. Technological whiz-bang — the ability to craft, with digital effects and digital sound, a bone-cracking you-are-there aesthetic — has replaced personality; the soldiers themselves seem digital (and sometimes are). *Tears of the Sun* (nice-sounding title, having no apparent meaning in the movie) is the latest example of war-as-toy-soldiers. Bruce Willis, as the stoic, no-nonsense Lt. Waters, sets the tone; he expresses so little that the performance could be taken as a parody of dead-cool machismo if there were any evidence of wit. The rest of the cast follows suit; there isn't even, for God's sake, a wisecracking soldier who serves to lighten Waters up a bit. Most funerals have more laughs than this film.

Of course, *Tears of the Sun*, like its hero, doesn't have time for levity. The mission is simple and single-minded: Waters and his men are to land in the Nigerian jungle and rescue a volunteer doctor (Monica Bellucci) from an area endangered by approaching rebel forces. No more, no less. But she doesn't want to go — at least not without the people she's helping. Waters' response is a firm negative, but when he sees piles of massacred villagers he has a change of heart, signalled by Bruce Willis' change of expression from blankly grim to grimly blank. The men go back into the chaos to get the innocent people out alive, engaging the rebel soldiers in the process.

The action, as constructed by director Antoine Fuqua (*Training Day*), is the usual hash of Cuisinart editing and "moody" photography. An early scene in which Waters rises up from the river and startles a native is so dimly lit that I guess it achieves its objective — to establish that Waters and his guys are so good they can see in pitch darkness. (Oh, for a shot of one of the soldiers tripping over something.) The battle sequences are mainly a matter of sneak attack and retreat — no strategy, just cut and run.



The rebels are faceless targets, except for the big cheese, who strolls into churches wielding a machete. Like *Black Hawk Down*, the movie regales us with the heroics of a (mostly) white American platoon picking off anonymous black savages.

The movie runs nearly two hours yet allows itself no moments of R&R in which to get to know the soldiers or the people they're protecting. The cast includes at least two firebrands given nothing to work with. Monica Bellucci can be a dark, electrifying presence, as seen in *Brotherhood of the Wolf*, but you wouldn't know that from her noble, perfect-doctor performance here. (Couldn't she, like Ben Kingsley in *Rules of Engagement*, say something like "Thank Christ! Get me the hell out of here"?) Eamonn Walker, late of HBO's recently concluded prison drama *Oz*, has the ability to play a character who could lead his own platoon with unquestionable moral authority, but here he's reduced to the role of Waters' right-hand man; he's the black guy who affirms the white hero's decency by assuring him he did the right thing.

Then there's Bruce Willis. Stone-faced and stubble-headed, he seems to be out to prove to Vin Diesel — who's been called the new Bruce Willis — that the old Willis isn't decommissioned yet. I have enjoyed Willis far more in far worse movies than this — like, say, 1999's *Breakfast of Champions*, a botch of Kurt Vonnegut's novel that Willis believed in enough to finance most of it out of his own pocket. Did the failure of that film scare Willis back to tried-and-true mainstream junk? With the money he made from *Tears of the Sun*, will he foot the bill for another lunatic risk? Experimental failures can push the medium forward; movies like *Tears of the Sun* are stuck in neutral.

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 Bringing Down the House (PG-13) – 1:15, 4:05, 7:15, 9:35
 Old School (R) – 1:05, 3:05, 5:05, 7:05, 9:15
 The Life of David Gale (R) – 1:00
 Tears of the Sun (R) – 1:20, 4:30, 7:05, 9:50
 Daredevil (PG-13) – 7:40, 10:00
 Agent Cody Banks (PG) – 1:10, 3:30, 7:00, 9:15
 Chicago (PG-13) – 1:30, 4:15, 7:30, 9:55
 Willard (PG-13) – 1:25, 3:35, 7:10, 9:20
 About Schmidt (R) – 1:25, 4:05, 7:15, 9:45
 The Jungle Book 2 (G) – 1:00, 2:45, 4:20, 6:05
 The Hours (PG-13) – 1:40, 4:25, 7:20, 9:35
 How To Lose A Guy in 10 Days (PG-13) – 1:15, 4:10, 7:25, 9:45
 The Hunted (R) – 1:20, 3:25, 5:30, 7:35, 9:40

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Friday, March 14 through Thursday, March 20.

Cradle 2 the Grave (R) – 1:40, 4:00, 7:10, 9:30
 Kangaroo Jack (PG) – 1:20
 Gods & Generals (PG-13) – 3:15, 7:30
 The Life of David Gale (R) – 1:20, 4:00, 6:40, 9:15
 Tears of the Sun (R) – 1:30, 4:10, 7:00, 9:25
 Jungle Book 2 (G) – 1:40, 3:20, 5:00, 7:15
 The Recruit (PG-13) – 9:00
 Daredevil (PG-13) – 2:00, 4:30, 7:20, 9:35
 Bringing Down the House (PG-13) – 1:50, 4:20, 7:15, 9:30
 Gangs of New York (R) – 1:30, 4:45, 8:00
 Old School (R) – 2:20, 4:20, 7:10, 9:20
 Chicago (PG-13) – 2:10, 4:30, 6:50, 9:10
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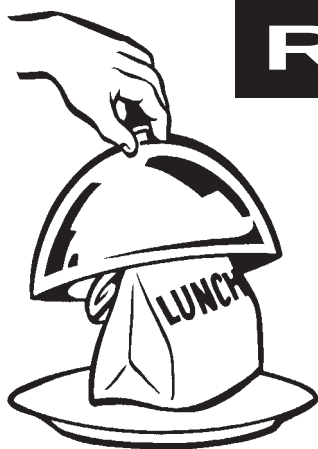
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Wednesday, March 19 – Turkey and gravy, bologna sandwich, mashed potatoes, green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday, March 20 – Hot dog on a roll, turkey sandwich, potato puffs, green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday, March 21 – Stuffed crust pizza, tuna salad sandwich, carrot sticks, fresh fruit, milk.

• COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, March 17 – Corn beef hash with potatoes, carrots and cabbage, raisin bread, Leprechaun cake, graham waffle.

Tuesday, March 18 – Beef stew with vegetables, boiled potato, multi-grain roll, chocolate pudding, sugar-free pudding.

Wednesday, March 19 – Cream of broccoli soup, teriyaki chicken, Asian rice, rye bread, banana.

Thursday, March 20 – Shells with meat sauce, green beans, mushrooms, whole wheat roll, canned peaches.

Friday, March 21 – Seafood salad, pasta salad, three-bean salad, pita bread, fruited gelatin, diet fruited gelatin.

• CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, March 17 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, March 18 – Beef taco, chicken salad roll, nachos, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, fruit, dessert,

milk.

Wednesday, March 19 – Beef ravioli, garlic bread, steak and cheese sub, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, March 20 – Hot dog, toasted cheese, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, March 21 – Stuffed crust pizza, soup, salad, fish, puffs, fruit, dessert, milk.

• FAIRHAVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday, March 17 – ST. PATRICK'S DAY: Shepherd's pie with gravy, chicken patty club, grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable pasta salad, green beans, chilled pineapple, lime jello with topping.

Tuesday, March 18 – Taco boat with all the fixings, chicken fajita wrap with salsa, hot ham and cheese sub, Spanish rice, corn niblets, chilled pears, orange wedges.

Wednesday, March 19 – Kentucky style chicken, hamburger/cheeseburger, baked pork chop with gravy, whipped potatoes, peas, cranberry sauce, chilled peaches, berry blue jello with topping.

Thursday, March 20 – Cinnamon swirl French toast with syrup, Canadian bacon, scrambled eggs, shaved turkey and lettuce sub, potato puffs, baked beans, chilled pears, Rice Krispie treat.

Friday, March 21 – Tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich, egg salad, tuna salad, hamburger/cheeseburger, Ore Ida Smiles potatoes, chilled peaches, "welcome spring" cake.

• FAIRHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, March 17 – ST. PATRICK'S DAY: Shepherd's pie with gravy, double grilled cheese sandwich, turkey salad grinder, tossed salad, corn niblets, chilled pears, lime jello with topping.

Tuesday, March 18 – Kentucky style chicken, baked pork chop with gravy, steak and cheese grinder, rice pilaf, green beans, chilled applesauce, fudge brownie.

Wednesday, March 19 – Roast turkey with gravy, open face hot pastrami grinder, baked glazed ham, whipped potatoes, peas, cranberry sauce, chilled peaches, baked apple with topping.

Thursday, March 20 – EARLY DISMISSAL at 11:00 am (no lunch served, gazebo open).

Friday, March 21 – Spinach and cheese stuffed shells with sauce,

grated mozzarella, garlic bread, double grilled cheese sandwich, tuna salad grinder, potato wedges, carrots, chilled pears, "welcome spring" cake.

• HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL, FAIRHAVEN

Monday, March 17 – ST. PATRICK'S DAY: Shepherd's pie with gravy, chicken patty club, grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable pasta salad, green beans, chilled pineapple, lime jello with topping.

Tuesday, March 18 – Taco boat with all the fixings, chicken fajita wrap with salsa, hot ham and cheese sub, Spanish rice, corn niblets, chilled pears, orange wedges.

Wednesday, March 19 – Kentucky style chicken, hamburger/cheeseburger, baked pork chop with gravy, whipped potatoes, peas, cranberry sauce, chilled peaches, berry blue jello with topping.

Thursday, March 20 – EARLY DISMISSAL at 11:30 am (breakfast will be served).

Friday, March 21 – Tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich, egg salad, tuna salad, hamburger/cheeseburger, Ore Ida Smiles potatoes, chilled peaches, "welcome spring" cake.

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, March 17 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, March 18 – Beef taco, chicken salad roll, nachos, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, March 19 – Beef ravioli, garlic bread, steak and cheese sub, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, March 20 – Hot dog, toasted cheese, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, March 21 – Stuffed crust pizza, soup, salad, fish, puffs, fruit, dessert, milk.

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, March 17 – Rib-a-que, French fries, peas, fruit, chocolate chip cookie.

Tuesday, March 18 – Grilled hot dog, chili, corn, potato chips, baked beans, fruit, spice cake.

Wednesday, March 19 – Turkey club sandwich, potato puffs, carrots, mixed fruit.

Thursday, March 20 – Ham or turkey salad roll, spicy fries, green beans, fruit, chocolate cake.

Friday, March 21 – Vegetable soup, tuna roll, cheese pizza, pretzels, veggie sticks, dessert.

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL, MATTAPOISETT

Monday, March 17 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, March 18 – Beef taco, chicken salad roll, nachos, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, March 19 – Beef ravioli, garlic bread, steak and cheese sub, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, March 20 – Hot dog, toasted cheese, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, March 21 – Stuffed crust pizza, soup, salad, fish, puffs, fruit, dessert, milk.

• ORR JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, March 17 – Soup, chicken patty, oven fries, Steak'Um, lettuce, tomato, dessert, juice or milk.

Tuesday, March 18 – Soup, meat loaf with mashed potato, McCrispy chicken, peas, corn, gravy, roll, dessert, juice or milk.

Wednesday, March 19 – Soup, stuffed shells, hot dog or chicken nuggets, garlic bread, green beans, dessert, juice or milk.

Thursday, March 20 – Soup, beef taco, ham and cheese croissant, lettuce, tomato, nachos, cheese sauce, dessert, juice or milk.

Friday, March 21 – Soup, meat ravioli, double grilled cheese, garlic bread, salad, dessert, juice or milk.

• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

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Tuesday, March 18 – Beef taco, chicken salad roll, nachos, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, March 19 – Beef ravioli, garlic bread, steak and cheese sub, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, March 20 – Hot dog, toasted cheese, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, March 21 – Stuffed crust pizza, soup, salad, fish, puffs, fruit, dessert, milk.



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INNER VIEWS

Bets Off Bulger

By Kenneth J. Souza
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For the past couple of weeks, people have been weighing the pros and cons (mostly cons) of Governor Mitt Romney's wholesale and severe budget cuts. Granted, I think there are crucial areas — especially in terms of local aid to cities and towns — which bear some revisiting and serious consideration at the risk of eliminating many important and necessary services.

On the other hand, I think Governor Romney realizes the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is in serious financial trouble and he is at least attempting to affect change by being the proactive instead of the usual reactive politician. Kudos are in order for some suggestions he's made thus far ... whether you think they are feasible or not and regardless of whose high-paying job will be put on the chopping block as a result.

The first idea which Governor Romney floated recently was to strike a deal with the owners of the very profitable casinos in nearby Connecticut (Foxwoods and the Mohegan Sun) to pay Massachusetts \$75 million a year *not* to establish a casino within the state — a sort of “pay not to play” idea which really didn't garner much of a response when first proposed. I think the idea is worth pursuing, however, especially given that a clear majority of the license plates you spy on any given night at one of the gambling meccas are from Massachusetts.

Despite numerous attempts to bring casino gambling to the Commonwealth — including a recent and ill-timed push by State Senator Joan Menard — I think the prevailing sentiment of Massachusetts residents is to not have casinos in their backyard. In fact, a vocal group of detractors recently went before the Rochester Board of Selectmen to make that point loud and clear. Ironically enough, part of Senator Menard's recent redistricting now includes Rochester. Talk about beating the odds.

Granted, it's unclear whether Foxwoods and the Mohegan Sun would prefer to bite at the offer or bite the hand that feeds them, but I think Governor Romney's suggestion serves to both

appease Massachusetts constituents and bring some much-needed revenue to the state in the process.

The other worthwhile Romney proposal, in my opinion, is the elimination of the UMass President's office which governs the five-campus system in favor of seven regional systems to work more closely with the nine state colleges and 15 community colleges. Of course, Billy Bulger has cried foul from the get-go — speaking loudly and often. (Shame he didn't feel the need to speak out under oath on the criminal actions of his fugitive brother, though.)

Billy has been whining that “dismantling” the UMass system is “an attack on public higher education” and would “eliminate autonomy” for the campuses. Does anyone really buy this empty rhetoric? I'm going to give you two clear-cut reasons why this so-called “dismantling” of the Boston machine would be a good thing for the SouthCoast: UMass Dartmouth and Bristol Community College.

First, UMass Dartmouth is no stranger to running itself. It did fine as Southeastern Massachusetts University up until 1991 and back then it didn't have to beg and plead for the table scraps from Billy-Boy, whose whopping \$309,000 annual salary apparently justifies his oversight of a 68-member central office. Second, I think smaller and sometimes forgotten schools like Bristol Community College would be able to get a bigger slice of the educational pie on a regional level than lingering at the bottom of a long list of statewide institutions which is always top-heavy with Boston-based schools.

As of this writing, Bulger hasn't made one sound argument why his high-paying position *shouldn't* be eliminated, a plan which Romney estimated could save upwards of \$150 million for the state. Instead, he keeps claiming it's “personal” between the Governor and himself. Come on, Billy. Anyone with a mobster brother should know it's nothing *personal* ... it's just *business*.



This Week's Show:
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Saturday, March 22

The Wanderer's Weekly Concert Contest

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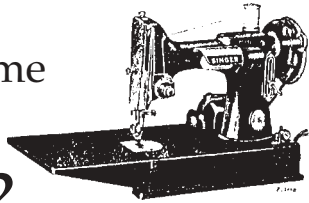
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The Wanderer, in conjunction with Plymouth Memorial Hall, is pleased to offer our readers a unique opportunity to attend top-notch entertainment shows in the newly-renovated 1,400-seat venue. Each week, you can enter to win a pair of tickets to a select show simply by filling out this original entry form (no photocopies accepted) and either dropping it off at our office (55 County Road/Route 6 in Mattapoisett) or mailing it to: The Wanderer Concert Contest, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Winners will be drawn at random and published here in the following issue. For a complete schedule of upcoming concerts and events, be sure to consult their website at www.plymouthmemorialhall.com. *KINGSTON TRIO (Mar. 15) Winners: Veronica Lafreniere, Rochester; Louis Aiello, Mattapoisett; Peggy Wright, Pembroke.

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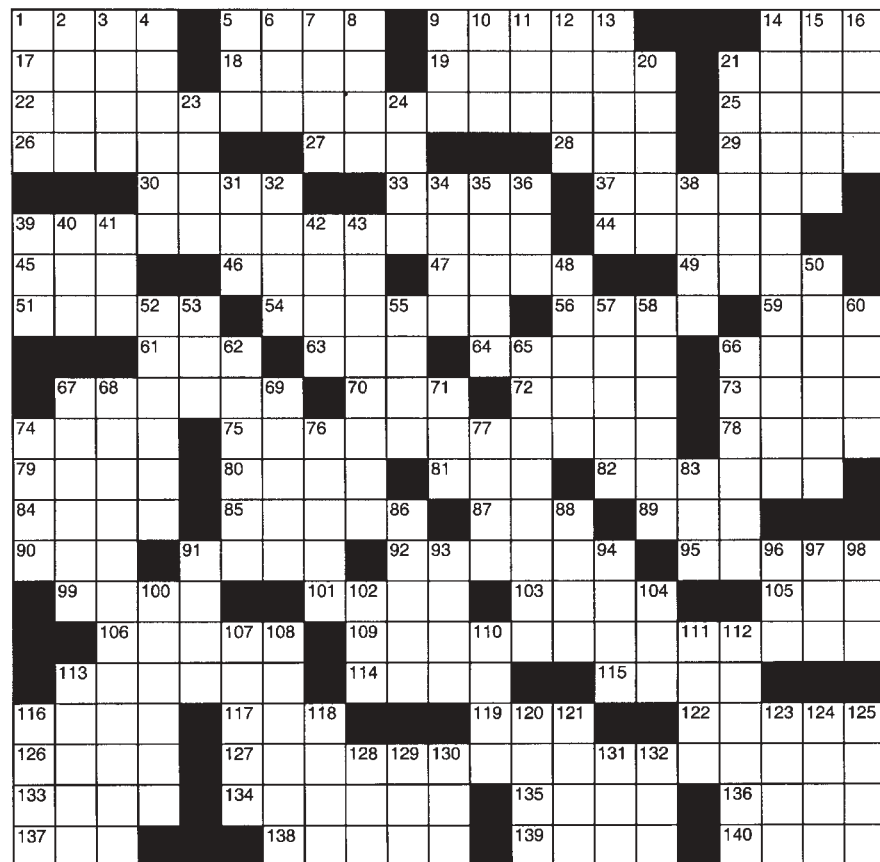
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You could have some problems with doubters who don't share your enthusiasm for that new project you're supporting. But use the facts to win them over to your side.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Someone is impressed by how you managed to get your case to the right people, despite attempts to keep you on the outside looking in. Expect to hear more about this.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Good for you — your gift for seeing both sides of a dispute helps cool down a potentially explosive workplace situation. Some family-related tensions also begin to ease.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your determination to prove yourself is put to the test by midweek. Counting all the positive factors you have going for you will help you get over your self-doubt. Good luck.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Several co-workers are still determined to resist coming over to your side. But don't let that stop you from presenting your proposal to the people who count. Stay the course.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might prefer to be taken on faith and not have to prove yourself. But the truth is, you need to offer more facts if you hope to persuade people to accept what you say.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A family situation takes an unwelcome turn. While others might be looking around for answers, you'll soon sort it all out logically, and the matter will be resolved.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Someone might try to create doubt about your reliability for his or her own agenda. But your reputation and your colleagues' long-standing faith in you saves the day.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) An unexpected change of plans forces you to come up with an alternative by the end of the week. Look for colleagues to offer valuable suggestions.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Nothing upsets the Goat as much as broken promises. But before you vent your anger, consider that this could ultimately prove to be a blessing in disguise.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An old workplace problem you thought you had solved for good resurfaces. But this time, co-workers will take a more active role in helping you deal with it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Be careful not to be misled by a negative reaction to one of your more important projects. If you believe in it, then it has worth and is, therefore, worth staying with.

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Tennis Lessons

The Marion Council on Aging (COA) and Alex Pavao of the Marion Indoor Tennis Club will be offering lessons for beginners again this year. Classes begin on March 15 at 10:30 am and will run for six weeks. Participants will receive 13.5 hours of tennis for only \$70. Space is limited. Please call the COA (508-748-3570) to register.

Tax Time

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The public hearing will be conducted on Thursday, March 27, 2003, 7:45 p.m., in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall. Ellen E. Endres, Chairman 3/06, 03/13 TOWN OF MARION ROCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOL LEGAL NOTICE Pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 38N of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Rochester School Committee regarding the 2003-04 school budget at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 20, 2003 in the Rochester Memorial School, 16 Pine Street, Rochester, Massachusetts. 03/13 OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MARION, MATTAPOISETT, ROCHESTER, MASSACHUSETTS LEGAL NOTICE Pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 38N of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Mattapoisett School Committee regarding the 2003-04 school budget at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 24, 2003 at the Old Hammondtown School, Shaw Street Mattapoisett, Massachusetts. 03/13	TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL NOTICE #826 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Virginia Decker, 404 Neck Road who is seeking a special permit under section VIII.B.1. to allow more than one dwelling on a single parcel and a special permit under section VIII.C.2. to allow an accessory structure in the front yard area. 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Adams, Chairman 03/13 LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 19, 2003 at 7:00 PM in the main conference room of the Marion Town House on a Request for a Determination of Applicability (41D-1135) submitted by SHIRLEY MILLER to construct a dwelling with an attached garage, a driveway, install utilities, and associated filling and grading at Lot 129 Olde Sheepfield Road as shown on Marion Assessors' Map 17. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Robert J. Merlino, Chairman 03/13 LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 19, 2003 at 7:30 PM in the main conference room of the Marion Town House on a Request for a Determination of Applicability (41D-1136) submitted by THOMAS GELSON to construct a 24' x 30' barn and a 12'-wide x 195'-long gravel driveway at 1 Pasture Lane, further identified as Lot 25G on Marion Assessors' Map 17. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Robert J. Merlino, Chairman 03/13	LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 19, 2003 at 7:20 PM in the main conference room of the Marion Town House on a Notice of Intent submitted by KEVIN J. & JANICE F. McCLURG to upgrade a septic system at 30 Abel's Way by installing a new septic tank, pump chamber and leaching field. The site is further identified as Lot 2F on Marion Assessors' Map 17. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Robert J. Merlino, Chairman 03/13 SPORTS QUIZ By Chris Richcreek 1. Which two major-league players had two or more streaks each of hitting consecutively in 34 or more games? 2. Who is the only player other than Barry Bonds to hit 50 homers in one season and steal 50 bases in another? 3. Who was the last coach at Duke University to post a winning season in football? 4. How many games in a row did the U.S. men's basketball team win in international competition while using NBA players? 5. Who was the NHL coach who won back-to-back Stanley Cup titles in the 1930s, but each title came with a different team? 6. When was the last year that Bill Elliott finished in the top 10 in the NASCAR points standings? 7. Australian tennis star Lleyton Hewitt in 2001 became the youngest player to finish the year atop the ATP rankings (20 years, 10 months). Who are the next five youngest? Answers 1. Ty Cobb (40 games in 1911, 34 games in 1912, 35 games in 1917) and George Sisler (41 games in 1922, 34 games in 1925). 2. Brady Anderson of the Orioles (53 stolen bases in 1992; 50 homers in 1996). 3. Fred Goldsmith went 8-4 with Duke in 1994. 4. The team won 58 games before losing in 2002. 5. Tommy Gorman won it with Chicago in 1934 and Montreal in 1935. 6. It was 1997, when he finished eighth. 7. Hewitt again (in 2002 — 21 years, 10 months), Jimmy Connors (22 years, 3 months), Jim Courier (22 years, four months), Pete Sampras (22 years, 4 months) and John McEnroe (22 years, 10 months). (c) 2003 King Features Synd., Inc.



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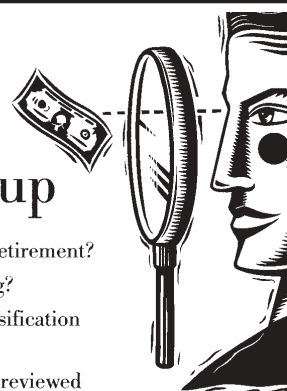
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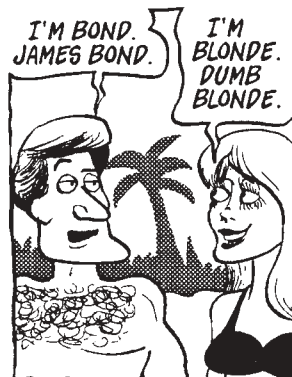
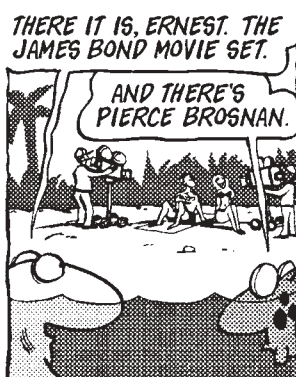
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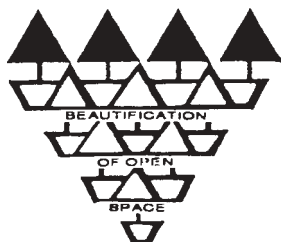
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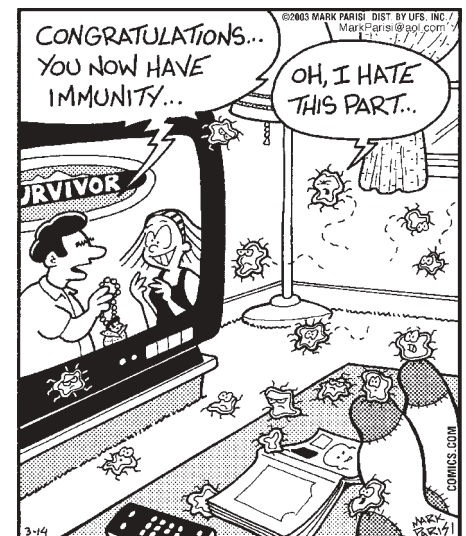
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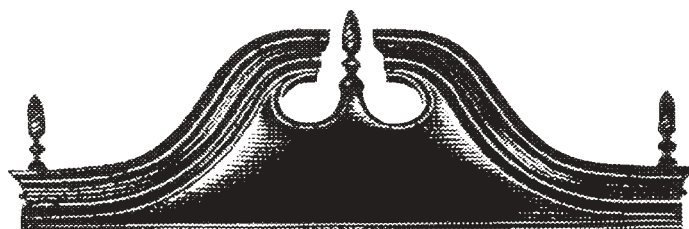
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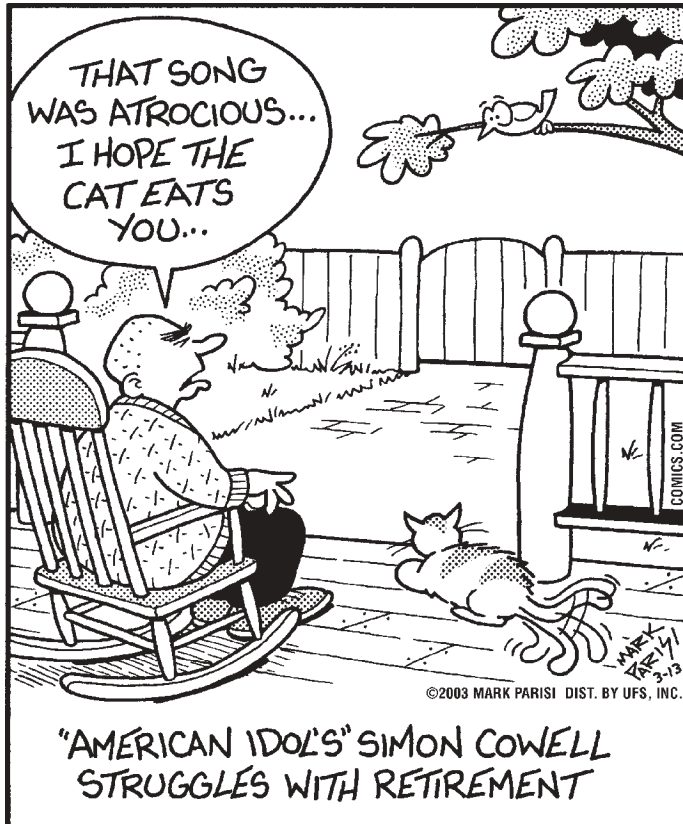
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March 14:	Fri.	4:11	4:50	10:51	10:25
March 15:	Sat.	5:12	5:42	11:33	11:19
March 16:	Sun.	6:04	6:30	...	12:13
March 17:	Mon.	6:52	7:16	12:12	12:53
March 18:	Tues.	7:40	8:02	1:03	1:30
March 19:	Wed.	8:25	8:50	1:53	2:10
March 20:	Thur.	9:15	9:40	2:40	2:50
March 21:	Fri.	10:05	10:32	3:30	3:30
March 22:	Sat.	11:00	11:27	4:20	4:15
March 23:	Sun.	11:55	...	5:13	5:03
March 24:	Mon.	12:36	12:45	6:27	6:00
March 25:	Tues.	1:28	1:57	8:30	7:27
March 26:	Wed.	2:35	3:05	9:46	9:35
March 27:	Thur.	3:45	4:11	10:40	10:40
March 28:	Fri.	4:49	5:10	11:21	11:27
March 29:	Sat.	5:42	5:59	11:51	...
March 30:	Sun.	6:28	6:42	12:04	12:13

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